

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-9 (Canceled)

10 (Currently Amended): A method ~~for obtaining context information performed in a computer-based system~~ comprising the steps of:

a) receiving a selection of ~~a region of web page content displayed in an on-screen region of a display, one or more graphical elements being displayed in the selected on-screen region;~~

b) determining one or more graphical elements ~~a window associated with the selected on-screen region;~~

c) capturing image pixels for displaying the one or more graphical elements, and storing the captured image pixels in an image file; attempting to retrieve an application interface having a URI property from the window; and

d) obtaining context information for the one or more graphical elements from at least one of the following:

_____ identifying the date on which the image pixels are captured,

_____ identifying a user responsible for selecting the on-screen region,

_____ receiving a user annotation of the selected on-screen region,

_____ performing text recognition on the captured image pixels, and

_____ querying an application causing the one or more graphical elements to be displayed when executed in the computer-based system; and

_____ in response to successfully retrieving an application interface having a URI property,

e) storing the URI property of the window as context information.

11 (Currently Amended): The method according to claim 10, wherein step d) further comprises:
~~comprising the step of:~~

_____ determining a window associated with the selected on-screen region;

~~in response to unsuccessfully retrieving an application interface having a Uniform Resource Identifier (URI) property from the determined window or, repeats steps c) and d) for a parent window of the determined window; and~~
obtaining the URI property as the context information.

12-14 (Canceled)

15 (Currently Amended): A-~~The method of claim 16, further for associating selected content and context information~~, comprising:

~~receiving a selection of web page content or a selection of a region of a document displayed in an on screen region of a display;~~

~~determining, based on the received selection, context information of the web page or the document, the context information being a uniform resource identifier; and~~

~~creating and storing a linking structure as the an association between the selected content image file and the context information.~~

16 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 10, ~~5, further including storing the wherein the step e) includes storing an association between the stored selected content and the context information and the image file.~~

17 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 15, ~~further including storing the association between the selected content and the context, wherein the association linking structure is incorporated in a single file separate from the stored image file and the stored content information.~~

18 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 15, ~~further including storing the association between the selected content and the context, wherein the linking structure includes association is at least two files connected by at least one pointer pointing to the stored image file or the stored content information..~~

19 (Canceled)

20 (New): The method of claim 10, wherein the context information is stored in such a manner as to be accessible to a user for performing at least one of the following:

- searching for said image file,
- displaying the context information simultaneously with the captured image pixels, and
- navigating a network to a source of the captured image pixels.

21 (New): The method of claim 10, wherein the one or more graphical elements comprises a first set of one or more textual characters, the method further comprising:

- obtaining the context information as text data obtained by performing text recognition on at least one of: the first set of one or more textual characters, and a second set of textual characters displayed in proximity with the first set.

22 (New): The method of claim 10, wherein the selected on-screen region is part of displayed textual region, and the graphical elements comprise a first set of one or more textual characters displayed in the textual region, the method further comprising:

- obtaining the context information based on a second set of one or more textual characters displayed in the textual region.

23 (New): The method of claim 10, wherein the step a) receives the selection based on movement of a stylus across the display.

24 (New): The method of claim 10, wherein the step d) further comprises:

- digitizing movements of a stylus across the display in order to receive the user annotation; and

- obtaining the context information based on the received user annotation.

25 (New): The method of claim 10, wherein the selected on-screen region includes at least a portion of a displayed web page or document, and the step d) further comprises:

using an application programming interface (API) to query the application for the context information.

26 (New): The method of claim 25, wherein the step d) further comprises obtaining a uniform resource identifier (URI) of the web page or document as the context information, the URI being obtained as a result of the query using the API.